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Strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization

The General Assembly,

(a) Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on strengthening the Department of Public Information, within the existing capacity, in order to support and enhance the United Nations web site in all official languages of the Organization[1] and of the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

(b) Expresses concern that the Department of Public Information was not able to identify at this stage any resources, including through redeployment, for this priority activity;

(c) Requests the Secretary-General to proceed with the implementation of his proposal on strengthening the web site through the redeployment of resources within the Department of Public Information, giving priority to the language posts required, and to report on the status of implementation to the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session;

(d) Recalls paragraph 66 of its resolution 57/___;

(e) Requests the Secretary-General, in this context, to keep the question of the equality between the six official languages on the web site under review and to submit proposals aimed at achieving full equality between the languages.

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[1] A/55/355.
[2] A/57/7/Add.2.

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